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1. On 1 July 1954, an order issued by [redacted] Headquarters, Kuch Bidsch, stated that all hotel property was to be concentrated in hotels 10, 11, 12, 13 and that all other rooms should be cleared by the hotel administration. The [redacted] weeks, [redacted] from all hotel rooms and the above-mentioned [redacted] being refurnished with the best and newest furniture available. Hotel Section at the beginning of July 1954. All of the above-mentioned hotel entrances, with the exception of Nos. 3 and 4, had already been completed, and the last remaining two were to be completed by 19 and 20 July 1954. Because of the mass move of furniture to bring in additional help because the two transport workers of the Hotel Administration, Herst Lehmann and Reinbold (fnu), were unable to cope with the work.
2. [redacted]
- [redacted] returned to the German economy or is being re-allocated to other Kech [redacted]
3. Soviet officials in the headquarters of the [redacted] Hotel Section state that all employees of German nationality of Bezirk I are presently working under Deutsch (fnu), have been dismissed as of 12 August 1954. The German "Kommandant" of that section, Deutsch, has received his "blue letter" stating that a reduction-in-force has made it necessary to dismiss him and all other employees of Bezirk I. Of the 46 affected German employees of the [redacted] have been dismissed, approximately 10 or 12 will be absorbed by other organizations, such as Haus Verwaltung I, H.V. II, H.V. III, and the H.V. IV. Only specialists are being considered because allegedly all the other sections are shortly going to dismiss approximately 40 or 60 percent of their employees. No explanation of this mass dismissal is known, but it is believed that the turnover of property to the German economy and the relocation of the Soviet High Command which is rumored to be taking place within the compound may have something to do with the reduction-in-force.

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